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Thousands see eaglet die on Net

WEBCAM An 11-day-old eaglet died after getting tangled in its mother's feathers as thousands of Internet users watched.

Since the birth of Echo on Hornby Island, the eaglet has been an instant Internet celebrity by way of a camera set up by the Hancock Wildlife Foundation.

The webcam was installed to monitor three nesting pairs of bald eagles in the south coast.

Last week viewers watched helplessly as the mother hopped around the nest trying to shake Echo loose. Echo died a few hours after falling to the ground when his mother took flight.

Link to the webcam at metronews.ca

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Feds overhaul credit card regulations

Consumers to get more protection

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for Metro Vancouver

Canadian consumers will have a minimum 21-day, interest-free grace period on all credit card purchases after the federal government introduced new legislation on Thursday.

This applies when a customer pays the outstanding balance in full.

The new regulations also require credit card companies to let customers know how long it will take to pay off their debt if they only make the minimum monthly payments.

Finance Minister Jim Flaherty said the public's financial literacy will be increased and admitted the changes were met with some resistance by financial institutions.

"It is a major change. It will cost financial institutions tens of millions of dollars," Flaherty said.

The regulations also force companies to require express consent for credit limit increases.

Dave Sallay, a 20-year-old warehouse employee, said these rules could have helped him avoid the "huge" credit debt he owes.

"Visa raised my limit from my original $500 to $2,400 without my consent," he said. "I didn't want it increased, and if I spent more than my limit they would just let it roll over."

Sarah Stenabaugh is a graduate student who said she was given a credit card too early.

At 19, she signed up during a promotion that gave her $100 for groceries. After a few months of not watching her spending, Stenabaugh was paying nearly 20 per cent interest on a balance of $5,000 alongside insurance add-ons she claims she didn't ask for.

"They need to regulate who they give credit cards to," Stenabaugh said. "They hit up the kids right when they get to university who don't understand how a credit debt could affect them for years after."

> **"It is a major change. It will cost financial institutions tens of millions of dollars."** Jim Flaherty

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Sarah Stenabaugh shows her two credit cards in Kitsilano on Thursday. PHOTO: MINÉ SALKIN/FOR METRO VANCOUVER

Vancouver to share data online

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COUNCIL Vancouver is doffing its drapes and will become an information open house.

Councillors voted Thursday to freely share city data online (respecting privacy and security concerns) in document formats that most people would be able to open on their home computers.

"People pay for us to collect data, so we should make it available," said Vision Coun. Andrea Reimer, who brought the motion forward.

Sharing data, Reimer said, would free up academics and experts from time-consuming data entry to concentrate on policy analysis and advice.

The motion also calls for open-source software to be placed on the same footing as commercial products when the city goes to procure software.

Teresa Marshall, director of Toxic Free Canada, was one of a dozen people who spoke in favour of opening up the city's data.

She said the information could be used to help map "toxic hotspots."

"It will put the citizens of Vancouver in a really strong empowered position to find out what is … in our neighbourhoods that could be a potential risk or harm to ourselves and our families."

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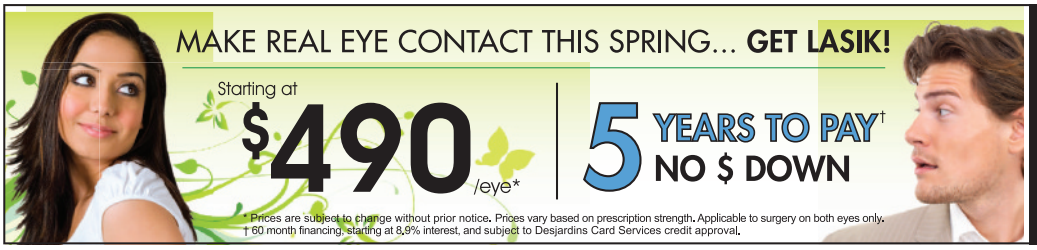

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Mountie killer was American or Scandinavian: Scientists
SFU scientists have discovered that the Mad Trapper of the Arctic — a man who killed a Mountie in 1932 — was not Canadian, but American or Scandinavian. Oxygen isotopes in the dead man's tooth enamel were used to determine where he was born. His identity remains a mystery. METRO VANCOUVER

Local

Richmond theatre to welcome Mohr

Jay Mohr, left, will be performing at the River Rock Show Theatre in Richmond on Saturday. The actor and comedian, who created the reality TV show The Last Comic Standing and was a cast member on Saturday Night Live, is well known for his impersonations of other celebrities. METRO VANCOUVER

Ugly side of modelling world

3 women share their experiences after agency is slapped with lawsuit

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The lawsuit launched by a Vancouver woman against a top Hollywood talent agency is raising questions about the behind-the-scenes workings of the modelling industry.

Claire Robinson, who was Miss British Columbia 2004, is suing International Creative Management (ICM), alleging she was sexually assaulted and exploited. ICM denies the charges.

In light of the lawsuit, Metro asked three Vancouver models to offer their insight. Sarah Karst, 25, a model/actress, said the profession leaves women vulnerable. As an 18-year-old she was left alone at a late-night shoot with a photographer in Milan. After insisting on driving her home, the photographer placed his hand on her knee. "I was asking myself whether or not I could jump out of the car safely," said Karst. When confronted by her agent, the photographer accused Karst of flirting with him.

Sarah Karst

On the other hand, Narda Singh, a retired commercial model, said it's not unheard of for some to use sex to get ahead. "You have to be realistic about how far you will go to become a star," Singh said. "You shouldn't have to change yourself. You either have it or you don't."

Taylor Hobbs, 20, said some unreputable agencies charge for expensive portfolios upfront, suggesting to models that this guarantees work. "People promise to give you things, but you never get anywhere," Hobbs said. "The whole business is like that."

News in brief

CLARIFICATION A story published yesterday contained information that needs clarification. While International Creative Management (ICM) and some of its employees are named in the lawsuit launched by former Miss B.C. Claire Robinson, the talent agent accused of rape is not an employee at ICM.
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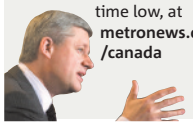

A taste of the exotic at global culinary expo

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FESTIVAL You don't have to hop a plane to get authentic Turkish kebabs, Louisiana Creole gumbo or Spanish paella.

This weekend, chefs from around the world will be bringing their region's signature dishes here for the EAT! Vancouver festival's World Culinary Travel Expo, which is being held at B.C. Place from Friday until Sunday.

The festival-within-a-festival will be promoting culinary tourism, with visiting chefs preparing exotic dishes.

Barbados-born, Toronto-based chef Jason Innis, who's representing the Barbados booth, will be preparing the island's national dish — flying fish.

The pan-fried fish will be served with breadfruit salad, curried spot-prawn soup and coconut macaroons with flambéed bananas.

KRISTEN THOMPSON/METRO VANCOUVER

Jason Innis flambés flying fish — the national dish of Barbados — at Coast Restaurant in Yaletown yesterday.

"Barbados is sort of a melting pot (and has) a huge mixture of cuisine types," Innis said. "The cuisine uses a lot of new-world ingredients with European styles and East Asian spice and flavour."

While Barbados has a plethora of Zagat-rated restaurants, Innis said some of the best food is found at Bajan (Barbadian) rum shops — small bars and restaurants run out of the front of peoples' houses. "There are more rum shops in Barbados than there are pubs in England," Innis said.

Aquarium dolphin dies from bowel affliction

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WILDLIFE Laverne, one of the Vancouver Aquarium's four Pacific white-sided dolphins, has died from a twisted bowel, staff announced.

The 31-year-old dolphin, which aquarium veterinarian Martin Haulena said had "a number of geriatric issues," died Wednesday night in the arms of her trainers.

Arrival
- Laverne came to the aquarium in 2005 from Sea World.

"A (twisted bowel) is a very serious condition and unfortunately is unpredictable and untreatable and unpreventable," Haulena said.

"We had made the decision along with Sea World to euthanize her, but she died before we could."

Haulena said staff members at the aquarium are grieving her loss.

"Laverne was a very special dolphin," Haulena said. "She was very interactive, the dolphin that would come out and meet the kids, and ... she was very gentle and fun.

"On the flip side, her course of illness was really short ... and thankfully she didn't suffer for very long."

Balmy weekend ahead

It'll be a balmy weekend in Vancouver with temperatures reaching the low 20s C as a mass of warm, dry air leans up against the mountains. CBC.CA/BC

Stemming the sex trade

Group aims to change prostitution laws before Olympics

MINÉ SALKIN
for Metro Vancouver

Buying sex is not a sport, says a group of activists campaigning the federal government to change the country's sex laws before the 2010 Olympics to keep more women from being lured into prostitution.

Michelle Miller, executive director of Resist Exploitation, Embrace Dignity, said the Canadian Parliament should enact the same laws recently instituted in Sweden that decriminalize the selling of sex and criminalize the buying of sex.

Miller

"No one looks at the buyers," she said. "Women are bought and sold but we want to expose that men have contributed to the demand."

Miller said the increase in men away from their social networks will raise the demand for paid sex in Vancouver during the Games.

"We've seen this at the World Cup, the Super Bowl, so it's known. Men who travel enjoy the degree of anonymity and are more likely to buy sex," she said. Trisha Baptie is a former sex-trade worker who took to the streets when she was 13 years old.

"It's human slavery. There are women in brothels in Vancouver right now, and more will come before the Games," she said.

On film

- The "Buying Sex is not a Sport" campaign is being launched at 8:15 p.m. Friday at the International Film Centre downtown. At 10 p.m., a film about child trafficking in Cambodia will be screened.

RCMP takes down fake currency lab

CRIME The largest counterfeit currency lab in B.C. history has been shut down, Mounties said on Thursday. Officers seized more than $220,000 in fake bills at a Surrey home and arrested four people. The May 14 raid also led to the seizure of equipment used in the production of fake money. "(This) takedown will significantly reduce the counterfeit banknotes in B.C. because these increases were predominantly linked back to (this) counterfeit operation," said Sgt. Tony Farahbakhchian.

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Looking for a fairer policy

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SunnySide

GAS EMISSIONS As the temperature climbs and Vancouverites hit the beaches, George Heyman of the Sierra Club will be at discussing ways to control emissions through equitable and socially just policies. The conference, Saturday at the Maritime Labour Centre, is organized into dialogue groups focusing on ways people can fight climate change and social injustice.

"The poorest British Columbians ... simply don't get a large enough tax benefit."
George Heyman

Heyman said the revenue-neutral structure of the current carbon tax discriminates against most British Columbians, with only the wealthiest 20 per cent ending up balanced or ahead.

"They can afford larger homes, can travel, often have more than one vehicle and can afford to pay for fuel," Heyman said.

"But the poorest British Columbians, many of whom have little choice about their travel options or have no capital to retrofit their homes ... simply don't get a large enough income tax benefit."

Rather than cutting income tax, Heyman said the province should take revenue from the carbon tax and put it toward assistance for lower income residents and investments in public transit.

Artist Bio - The Stills

Hit Songs
Being Here

Montreal's The Stills dropped their third studio album, **Oceans Will Rise** in August 2008. This is a group who has spent eight years searching for their breakthrough single. *Being Here*, the first single from **Oceans Will Rise** was it for them. Pitchfork Media says "…ethereal, droning opening climaxing in an anthemic chorus."

Being Here won the group two Junos including Best Alternative Album of the Year. The band spent the most of March touring Australia and New Zealand, coming home just in time to perform at the Junos.

Perhaps one of the biggest moments for The Stills came in 2008 when they opened for Paul McCartney to celebrate Quebec City's 400th anniversary.

The Stills list their influences in a nonsensical rambling way, keeping their true muses a mystery to all.

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News in brief

COURTS No charges will be laid against the defence team of convicted Air India and Narita airport bomber Inderjit Singh Reyat. A special prosecutor concluded that a fraud charge against Reyat's son would likely be successful, but not in the public's interest.

CRIME A 29-year-old Coquitlam man has been arrested after a failed purse snatching that left a 50-year-old woman injured. Michael Richards is accused of trying to rob a woman and dousing her with bear spray when she refused to let go of her purse.

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No charter rights for Afghan captives: Ruling

The Supreme Court of Canada said Thursday it will not hear arguments that captives handed over to Afghan authorities by Canadian troops should be protected by the Charter of Rights. As is its custom, the court did not give reasons for its decision. CBC NEWS ONLINE

Canada

Court paves way for abortion lawsuit

The New Brunswick Court of Appeal paved the way Thursday for Dr. Henry Morgentaler to sue the province for refusing to pay for abortions at his private clinic in Fredericton. "I accuse the government of New Brunswick of being sexist, male chauvinist, of victimizing and oppressing women," Morgentaler said in 2002. Morgentaler wants medicare to pay for abortions at his clinic, while the province says it only has to pay for abortions approved by two physicians and performed in hospitals. Currently, women pay the $750 fee themselves. CBC NEWS ONLINE

Accused man was 'off,' says ex-acquaintance

CRIME It wasn't the first time Melanie Munger had been put ill at ease by Michael Rafferty. But the Facebook message she received in October 2007 from the 28-year-old set off alarm bells.

"I thought there was something strange about that message. There was just something a little off about him."

Rafferty was one of two arrested Wednesday and he was charged with murder and abducting a child under 16 in the case of missing eight-year-old Woodstock, Ont., girl Tori Stafford. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Michael Rafferty, seen here in this Facebook photo.

Courtice, Ont. Oshawa Rock City?

TARA WALTON/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Sean Shane, of Courtice, Ont., poses in the basement of his home Thursday with his Kiss memorabilia. Shane has joined with the City of Oshawa in campaigning to bring the band to the city to play during their next tour.

News in brief

SHUTDOWN Authorities said Thursday it is too early to predict how long an aging nuclear reactor that produces much of the world's medical isotope supply will be idled, but said they could not rule out an extended shutdown. The 50-year-old Chalk River nuclear reactor in eastern Ontario was taken offline last week. REUTERS

Westerners' big windfall

Co-workers split $49-million prize

Lotto lightning flashed down from the sky Thursday morning, struck 13 lucky co-workers in Edmonton, and rained $49 million upon them.

"I'm still in disbelief, actually," 24-year-old Sara Gabriel said in an exclusive interview with Metro, her voice shaking.

An electric current flowed through Edmonton streets Thursday, when news that the winning ticket for the third largest Lotto 6-49 jackpot in Canadian history was purchased in the city.

Standing outside Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission office in St. Albert Thursday morning, Gabriel confirmed she is one of 13 female human resources employees from the 13th floor of ATB Financial that are splitting the jackpot.

"I have no idea what I'm going to do with my money — but I do know we're getting married," Gabriel said, wrapping her arm around her fiancé, Eric Gravel.

Karma has twice smiled upon Alberta sweepstakes players. A group of 17 oilfield workers from Camrose split $54.3 million in October 2005.

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Sherpa conquers Everest for record time

A Nepali sherpa carrying a banner reading "Stop Climate Change" climbed Mount Everest, left, for a record 19th time on Thursday, improving his own record set last year, officials said. Apa Sherpa, who lives in the U.S., reached the 8,850-metre peak along the Southeast Ridge route. REUTERS

World

Lack of sleep killed goats?

Late-night noise from spinning wind turbines on an outlying island of Taiwan may have killed 400 goats over the past three years by depriving them of sleep, an agricultural inspection official said on Thursday. After the eight turbines were installed in the notoriously windy Penghu archipelago in the Taiwan Strait, a neighbouring farmer of 17 years reported that his goats had started dying, Council of Agriculture inspection official Lu Ming-tseng said. REUTERS

Couple took the money and ran

POLICE New Zealand police have launched an international search for a couple who fled with millions of dollars after $10 million NZ ($6.9 million) was accidentally deposited into their bank account. New Zealand's news agency NZPA said the couple, who ran a gas station in the northern city of Rotorua, had applied to Westpac Bank for a $10,000 overdraft but 1,000 times that amount was paid into their account in error. A local newspaper, The Rotorua Review, quoted a source saying that a police liaison officer was sent to China recently to search for the couple. Westpac refused to confirm the amount of money missing but said the bank was "pursuing vigorous criminal and civil action to recover the sum of money stolen." REUTERS

Terror case shakes N.Y.

Three of four Muslim men suspected of a plot to blow up two New York synagogues and shoot down military planes were ordered to remain in jail Thursday in what police have called homegrown terrorism.

The case has shaken a neighbourhood in New York's Bronx borough where police said the men, who had been watched for nearly a year in a sting operation, planted what they thought were bombs in cars parked outside each synagogue. The suspects then intended to shoot down planes with guided surface-to-air missiles but the explosives and the missiles, which had been sold to the accused plotters by an FBI informant, were deactivated, police said.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Lisa Smith ordered James Cromitie, 55, to remain in jail along with David Williams, 28, and Onta Williams, 32. A fourth suspect, Laguerre Payen, was due to appear later on Thursday. "These are extremely violent men," federal prosecutor Eric Snyder told the court. "These people were eager to bring death to Jews."

Police said the suspects had criminal records and may have converted to a radical version of Islam while in prison. They had no known links to al-Qaida, police said. The FBI and New York police arrested the men on Wednesday after police say they planted 37 pounds of inert C-4 explosives in two cars parked outside each synagogue. From there police say they had planned to travel to an Air National Guard base in their hometown of Newburgh to shoot down planes. REUTERS

Britain **Gurkhas celebrate**

STEPHEN HIRD/REUTERS

British actress and Gurkha activist Joanna Lumley celebrates with Gurkhas in London. Britain's government announced Thursday that Gurkha veterans who retired before 1997 with four years' service will be allowed to settle in the U.K.

News in brief

IRELAND Victims of sexual abuse and neglect in Catholic-run schools and orphanages in Ireland swamped counselling services Thursday after the publication of the findings of a nine-year investigation. Ireland's health service said it had to draft in extra staff to deal with the volume of callers.

FRANCE Two French boys, aged six and 10, were arrested at school by half a dozen police officers over bicycle thefts. REUTERS

Billionaire sentenced to death

MURDER A billionaire Egyptian businessman was sentenced to death Thursday for ordering the murder of a Lebanese pop star. Hesham Talaat Moustafa was found to have paid a hit man to stab Suzanne Tamim to death. Media reports labelled the attack an act of revenge after she ended their relationship. REUTERS

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Huge sweep targets gang

Police and federal agents arrested 88 people linked to a notorious Southern California street gang in raids Thursday that capped the largest such sweep by the U.S. Justice Department, authorities said.

The arrests stem from federal indictments charging 147 suspected members and associates of a gang that has operated for decades in and around Hawaiian Gardens, a small working-class city near the border of Los Angeles and Orange counties.

The heart of the government's case is a racketeering indictment, naming 57 people, "that is designed to eliminate the gang's leadership and drastically shrink the ranks of a criminal enterprise that calls itself Barrio Hawaiian Gardens," U.S. attorney Thomas O'Brien told reporters.

Some 1,400 officers, including sheriff's deputies and agents of the FBI and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, took part in the raids.

O'Brien said it marked "the largest federal gang sweep in the history of the Department of Justice."

Suspected members of the predominantly Latino gang are accused of, among other things, drug trafficking and targeting black residents of the community in racially charged attacks.

The investigation of the gang was sparked by the June 2005 slaying of a Los Angeles County sheriff's deputy by a gang member.

A spokesman for the U.S. attorney said that in addition the 88 arrested Thursday, 32 others were already in custody. REUTERS

News in brief

AFGHANISTAN U.S. Defense Secretary Robert Gates on Thursday praised an Army soldier in eastern Afghanistan who drew media attention this month after rushing to defend his post from attack while wearing pink boxer shorts and flip-flops. In fact, Gates said he wants to meet the soldier and shake his hand the next time he visits Afghanistan. Army Specialist Zachary Boyd, 19, rushed from his sleeping quarters on May 11 to join fellow platoon members after the unit came under fire from Taliban positions. REUTERS

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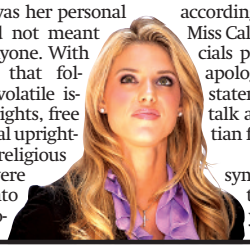
Storm of faith and politics in pageant

InStep

Christine Williams

Runner up in the Miss USA Pageant: Miss California's Carrie Prejean continues to grab the spotlight after a storm of controversy over a question posed by a judge during the pageant. Celebrity blogger and gay activist Perez Hilton asked Prejean — an openly professing Christian — whether she believed in the legalization of same-sex marriage. She responded that she did not, while explaining it was her personal opinion and not meant to offend anyone. With the events that followed, the volatile issues of gay rights, free speech, moral uprightness and religious sincerity were hurled into the public forum like a grenade.



Many believed Prejean's answer cost her the crown, including Perez Hilton who went on a subsequent tirade against her, calling her stupid and the b-word. His venom screamed: Agenda. Then according to Prejean, Miss California USA officials pressured her to apologize for her statement and not talk about her Christian faith.

It was easy to sympathize with the 21-year-old young lady broadsided by the hostile ridicule of Perez Hilton and it was a pity Miss California USA officials allowed themselves to be sucked in.

But then scandals started to surface. It was discovered Prejean withheld information from pageant officials that she had posed in her underwear and topless when she was 17, while trying to make it in the competitive world of modeling.

Her Miss California crown was now threatened as she was being portrayed as a liar, morally questionable and a poor role model.

Donald Trump finally came to her rescue supporting her right to free speech, which was really the central issue here, and decided to give her the benefit of the doubt on the photos and let her keep her crown after all.

It should have ended there.

But now Prejean has announced her new political activism. She'll be working with the National Organization for Marriage to protect traditional marriages.

She also told Christian icon Dr. James Dobson about Satan tempting her with the initial question about gay marriage.

If only Miss Prejean had simply ended with Trump, reiterated her right to free speech and humbly apologized for lying about the photos, she would have done herself a huge favour. But the saga continues as the ominous clouds around the Miss USA Pageant continue to swirl and suck it up in a tornado of religion and politics.

Christine Williams is the producer and host of the live current affairs daily talk show On the Line at CTS TV in Burlington, Ont.

Views

Miss Congeniality pushed to hell-fire fury

TheWestView

Paul Sullivan

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Here's to you Claire Robinson, for striking a blow on behalf of star-struck ingénues everywhere.

Robinson is the former Miss B.C. 2004 who is ripping the casting couch cabal a new one with her lawsuit alleging she was sexually exploited by International Creative Management, the Hollywood mega-agency that represents a galaxy of stars from Chris Rock to Beyoncé.

Before I go over the top (and I will, I promise), a cautionary note: This is a lawsuit; none of the allegations have been proven; we'll have to wait to see if Robinson's charges have any validity.

But, c'mon. This story is older than Harrison Ford. And if it's true, the chest hair and gold chain set will never be the same. That Tinseltown cliché, the casting couch, could go the way of the Swifty Lazar giant glasses as a Hollywood agent's stock in trade (See Tom Cruise in Tropic Thunder).

The $10-million suit alleges she was "hip-pocketed" by ICM — it's a term that means a senior agent takes the starlet under his wing — without the complication of a contract — and it names, among others, ICM executive VP Jack Gilardi, who at one time represented the poster boy for chest hair and gold chains, Burt Reynolds. But instead of grandfatherly guidance, she alleges that her agent took bribes and tried to pass her around as a sexual party favour.

In her photos, Robinson looks like the sweetest kid, but turns out she comes with a sting. She walked the same red carpet route to delusion that has been downfall of so many before her: This time, though, the starlet didn't head for a dark corner so no one could see the mascara-streaked tracks of her tears. Nope, she called her lawyer, and the result could be the biggest story in the long and checkered history of Hollywood Babylon.

You may be thinking: "Well, what did she expect? If you strut around in high heels and a swim suit, you think that nice man is interested in your career?" But just because there's no category at the pageant for judgment or discretion, does that mean aspiring actresses need to suffer the unwanted advances of a bunch of dirty old grandfathers? Guys who wake up in the morning and have to remember where they left their toupees?

I hope every young woman who has ever been groped in a limo will dry her tears, come out of the (eye) shadows and join Robinson on her crusade to throw a scare into the power putzes who have heretofore roamed the landscape like elk in rutting season.

Hell hath no fury like Miss Congeniality when you push her too far.

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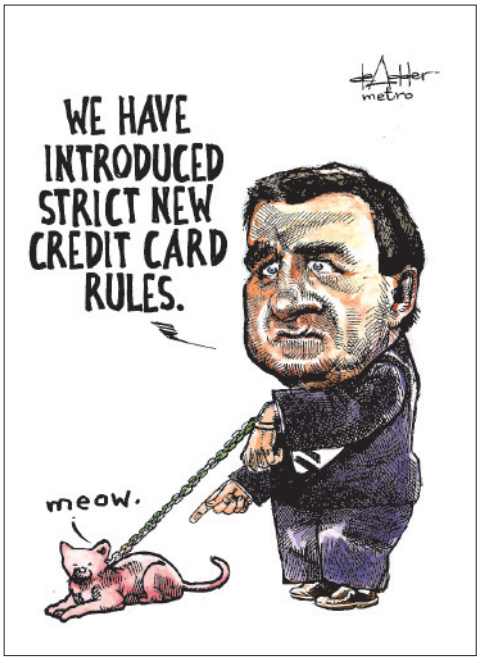

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Business

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CPP fund assets fall 14%

PENSIONS The Canada Pension Plan Investment Board said Thursday the value of its assets under management shrank 14 per cent in fiscal 2009, which ended March 31.

The CPP board said it had assets of $105.5 billion for fiscal year 2009, down $17.2 billion after operating expenses from fiscal 2008 assets of $122.7 billion.

"The fund's decline for the year primarily reflects an investment return of negative 18.62 per cent, or negative $23.6 billion, offset by CPP contributions of $6.6 billion," the CPP board said in a statement.

The value of assets under management at Canadian pension funds has tumbled in recent months as portfolios were battered by the worst financial crisis since the Great Depression.

The board's chief executive, David Denison, said the fund's losses were linked to declines in equity markets, both public and private.

Canadian public equities were down 32.3 per cent in fiscal 2009, compared with a 3.2 per cent gain in fiscal 2008.

Canadian private equities fell 7.8 per cent in fiscal 2009 and gained 2.2 per cent in fiscal 2008.

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Real estate

- Public real estate had the poorest performance by asset class, down 43.7 per cent. The year before, public real estate also took the biggest hit, down 24.2 per cent.

Air Canada CEO seeks pension relief

VIATION Air Canada chief executive Calin Rovinescu has taken to the Internet to spread his message about the desperate need for a moratorium on payments to the airline's various pension plans.

In his second YouTube "conversation" with employees since becoming CEO in April, Rovinescu said the cash-strapped airline can't afford to wait for Ottawa to complete a broader study of its pension rules, which is anticipated to provide relief for several struggling corporations.

Air Canada is facing a pension deficit of $2.85 billion.

Rovinescu called on the airline's union leaders to support a moratorium, stressing that Air Canada does not intend to cut benefits or move away from the current benefit pension scheme. But Air Canada's unions have so far been unreceptive.

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Carmakers set to lose $2.1B: Board

FORECAST Auto manufacturers in Canada are expected to lose a combined $2.1 billion in 2009 and the industry will not turn a profit until at least 2011, the Conference Board of Canada said Thursday. A 36 per cent drop in auto production is forecast for 2009, the board said in its twice-yearly outlook. REUTERS

Business in brief

DONATIONS The co-chief executives of Research in Motion Ltd. said Thursday they would donate about $290 million of RIM shares owned by them to two charitable foundations.

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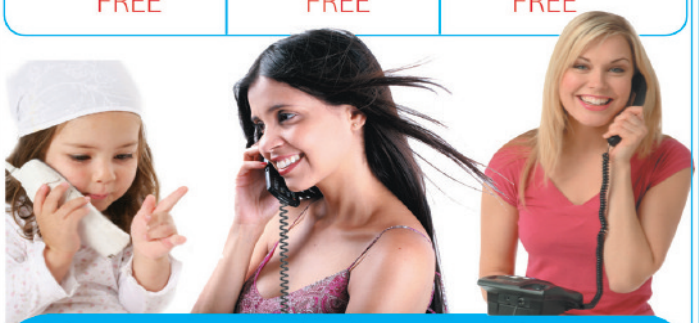

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Ovechkin honoured by peers
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Pittsburgh goalie Marc-Andre Fleury stops a shot by Carolina's Scott Walker Thursday night.

Penguins up by two

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(Pittsburgh leads series 2-0)

Carolina 4 Pittsburgh 7

Evgeni Malkin registered his first career playoff hat trick to go along with an assist, powering Pittsburgh to a 7-4 win over the Hurricanes in Game 2 of the Eastern Conference finals at Mellon Arena in Pittsburgh.

Chris Kunitz made his presence felt, posting a goal and two helpers for the Penguins, who lead the best-of-seven set 2-0. Pittsburgh is inching closer to a return trip to the Stanley Cup finals, and potential rematch, after falling to Detroit in six games for the championship last year. The Red Wings have also won the first two games in the West final against the youthful Blackhawks.

Sidney Crosby and Tyler Kennedy both finished with a goal and an assist, while Marc-Andre Fleury got the win for Pittsburgh, stopping 24 of the 28 shots he faced.

Jussi Jokinen, Dennis Seidenberg, Patrick Eaves and Chad LaRose each had a goal for Carolina, which had not faced an 0-2 series deficit since the 2006 quarterfinals against Montreal. The Hurricanes rallied to capture the series in six games en route to winning the franchise's first Stanley Cup.

Cam Ward was victimized for six goals on 41 shots in defeat.

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Danica Patrick eyes Indy 500 win

RACING Danica Patrick's Indy car team is confident this could be her year to win the Indianapolis 500.

Michael Andretti, a retired Indy car series champion and co-owner of her Andretti-Green Team, told Reuters on Thursday that America's most famous motor race was on one of Patrick's strongest race tracks.

Patrick will start from 10th position on Sunday's 33-car grid, with Helio Castroneves of Brazil on pole alongside his Penske team mate Ryan Briscoe of Australia. REUTERS

Olympic champ Shewfelt retires

GYMNASTICS Former Olympic floor champion Kyle Shewfelt, who broke both legs after landing badly in a practice session in 2007, retired from gymnastics on Thursday.

The Canadian, who won his country's first Olympic artistic gymnastics gold at the 2004 Athens Games, recovered from the accident to make the team for last year's Beijing Games but failed to qualify for the floor final.

"I have come to the decision that it's time to hang up the grips, put away the stinky gym shoes, remove the singlet, take my hands out of the chalk bucket and start embarking on new journeys," the 27-year-old wrote on his blog (kyleshewfelt.blogspot.com).

"Breaking my legs and having the course of my Olympic path redirected in an instant was something that has left me forever changed."

REUTERS

Sports in brief

TRADE REJECTED Jake Peavy will remain with the San Diego Padres after all, as the former NLCy Young Award winner rejected a proposed trade to the Chicago White Sox Thursday. Peavy took advantage of the complete no-trade clause in his contract, opting to stay in the National League West.

SURGERY Boston Bruins forward Phil Kessel underwent successful surgery Thursday to repair a torn rotator cuff in his left shoulder. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Need to believe in Bolt

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Bolt. Even his name sizzles with speed. Usain Bolt. "World's Fastest Man."

It would be nice to believe he's the real deal, not just another athlete propelled more by chemicals than his own determination.

Then again, assume nothing in the modern age of sport. In a time where baseball players are paid $161 million over seven years and where bankruptcy dealings steal the hockey headlines, very little is pure. Even swimmers await rulings on the admissibility of synthetic suits, which must meet standards of buoyancy, thickness and water resistance.

You've got to be kidding!

Amidst the distraction, Bolt runs. And he keeps getting faster. His latest feat is a new world record at 150 metres in Manchester. He's a testament to what is possible for the human race.

Usain Bolt is 22 years old, stands six-foot-five and weighs 190 pounds soaking wet. Not your typical sprinter. He won three gold medals at last summer's Beijing Olympics setting world records in the 100-, 200- and 4x100-metre events. He's the first man in history to turn that trick.

"I think he's the next generation of running," says Alex Gardiner, Canada's head track and field coach. "I hope I'm not proven wrong." Gardiner has been following Bolt since the Jamaican kid appeared on the international scene at the world youth championships in Sherbrooke, Que., in 2003.

In Beijing, the masses loved him. Bolt danced and mugged for the cameras every time he raced. Once across the finish line, he held his golden shoes aloft and kissed them.

It was glorious to watch.

Bolt will run in Canada in Toronto's Festival of Excellence at the new Varsity Stadium on June 11. It's important for his sport that he's going to be here.

"It's really saying that track and field is back," Gardiner says.

Let's hope he's right. Let's hope Bolt is what he appears to be: An exceptionally gifted athlete who demonstrates that human kind is capable of getting faster and stronger on its own two feet.

Lord knows there is a need to believe in Bolt.

Scott Russell is the Host of CBC Sports Weekend seen Saturday afternoons. He has covered professional and amateur sports including nine Olympic games and numerous world championships.

Nuggets even series with Lakers

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Denver 106 L.A. Lakers 103

Kenyon Martin hit the go-ahead layup with 29.6 seconds remaining and Carmelo Anthony poured in 34 points as Denver edged the Los Angeles Lakers 106-103, evening the Western Conference finals after two games.

Anthony logged his fifth consecutive 30-plus point game in the playoffs as the Nuggets bounced back after a tight 105-103 loss on Tuesday at the Staples Center.

Chauncey Billups added 27 points for the Nuggets, who snapped an 11-game post-season losing streak to the Lakers.

Kobe Bryant scored 32 for the Lakers, who also received 20 points from Trevor Ariza, and 17 points and 17 rebounds from Pau Gasol.

Two free throws from Billups made it a 105-101 difference, but Gasol made a pair from the charity stripe with 7.9 ticks left.

Billups got free off the inbounds pass before being fouled with 4.3 seconds remaining, but he made just 1-of-2, giving the Lakers a chance to tie. Derek Fisher, though, missed badly on a three-point try from the right corner.

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Dahntay Jones of the Denver Nuggets goes up for a shot over Andrew Bynum of the Los Angeles Lakers in Game 2 of the Western Conference final Thursday in Los Angeles.

Game 3 of the best-of-seven set is Saturday in Denver. The Nuggets have won their last 16 home games and haven't lost at the Pepsi Center since March 9 against Houston.

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Flick steps up to spoof routine

Dance **Flick**

Director: Damien Wayans
Stars: Damon Wayans Jr.
Classification: 14A
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

REVIEW You have to worry about a movie that begins with a thug in a dance-battle showing off by shoving his head up his own behind. Surprisingly in Dance Flick, that leading gag is actually deceptive.

The latest offering in the oversaturated market of spoof-comedies (a la Epic Movie, Date Movie, etc.), Dance Flick definitely has plenty of crass material but it also rises to the monumental challenge of trying to scrape something original out of a horribly-flogged dead horse. Luckily for director Damien Wayans, the bar is set pretty low.

Poking fun at such genre hits as Step Up, Save the Last Dance and You Got Served, Dance Flick places bumbling ballet dancer Megan (Shoshana Bush) in a rugged musical high school where she meets a pudgy Tracy Turnblad-type, a flamboyant Zac Efron-wannabe and falls for Thomas (Damon Wayans Jr. — that's right, son of Blankman), a street-wise dancer striving for acceptance into the trenchantly-titled Just Community College.

For all this film's vulgarity, there's an inherent cleverness with satire spanking on interracial relationships, single-parents and even the price of oil. Simply put, Dance Flick shockingly shows how few smarts it takes to improve upon today's spoof-comedy.

Animation's new high

ADAM NAYMAN
for Metro Canada

As the first animated film to open the Cannes Film Festival, Pixar's Up will forever own a little piece of history. But the film's co-director, Pete Docter, admits that he was still a little bit nervous on the eve of the black tie and red carpet premiere.

"It was scary going in," he says over the telephone from Philadelphia. "I'd heard that there was a lot of booing over there." (Maybe he'd been talking to fellow director Lars Von Trier).

One would have to be pretty hard-hearted to boo Up — opening next week — a typically nimble Pixar effort about a wizened old codger, Carl (voiced by Ed Asner) who attempts to honour the adventurous spirit of his late wife by affixing a phalanx of helium balloons to their home and flying to South America.

Up, which premiered in Cannes recently, hits theatres next week.

While the film features numerous colourful adventure sequences, its emotional palette is surprisingly stark. An early montage tracing the arc of Carl's marriage is unsparing in its depiction of life's disappointments.

"We were inspired by Super 8 films," says Docter about this sequence. "There's something about (Super 8) that's very emotional, that makes it feel like a memory. And it's even more affecting without sound."

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Some of Up's best moments are all about dialogue, however — like the bits featuring a pack of dogs who have been fitted by their dastardly master with collars that translate their thoughts into speech.

"The dogs came out of a different project," Docter admits when it's suggested that their scenes seem imported from somewhere in deep left field. "My co-director, Bob Peterson, wrote and performed such a funny take on this idea that we just had to use it, and so we wove it into the story."

Our hope," he continues, "was to get around anything that was cliché. There are so many films were the antagonists are these dark evil characters, and we wanted to flip that." Docter is referring specifically to Beta, an imperious-looking Doberman whose malfunctioning collar forces him to speak in a decidedly non-alpha-dog register.

"It was great when we came up with the high-pitched thing," he laughs. "It's funny because he thinks he sounds like Clint Eastwood when that's not the case."

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Tilda Swinton plays one of the many bizarre characters in Jim Jarmusch's The Limits of Control.

Beyond the Limits of narrative

The Limits of **Control**

Director: Jim Jarmusch
Stars: Tilda Swinton, Bill Murray
Classification: STC
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕½

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

REVIEW Like all of writer/director Jim Jarmusch's work, The Limits Of Control demands to be described with adjectives like meditative, deadpan, and cool.

As usual, Jarmusch treats us to a collection of the finest character actors in the world playing drifting loners in existential crisis, laced with the director's patented bone-dry wit. And like most of Jarmusch's recent movies, this is a deconstruction of a classic Hollywood genre filtered through the comedic quirks and philosophical angst of the director.

What Jarmusch did to the Western in Dead Man, and the romantic comedy in Broken Flowers, he does to the crime thriller here. The loose dramatic structure comes from the genre, but the characters, pacing, and tone are all Jarmusch.

Isaach De Bankole stars as an unnamed protagonist sent on a mission by some unsavoury characters. We never know exactly what Bankole does until the end, but the title of contract killer is assumed.

We follow him as he meets a series of bizarre characters in Spain, each offering Bankole a clue necessary to complete his quest. With the destination unclear, the movie becomes about the journey.

That plot summary makes the film sound meandering and episodic, which it is. But that's not necessarily a bad thing.

The point of this movie is not to reach a grand thematic statement or a sense of narrative closure, but to get lost in the atmosphere of Jarmusch's world and appreciate some wonderful wacko performances (by the likes of Tilda Swinton, John Hurt, and Billy Murray).

British actress found dead

Lucy Gordon, considered one of Britain's most promising young film stars, was found dead in her Paris apartment after apparently killing herself, say French police. Gordon, 28, appeared in Spider-Man 3, among other films. **PEOPLE.COM**

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Fast pace, flat gags

Night at the Museum: **Battle of the Smithsonian**

Director: Shawn Levy
Stars: Ben Stiller, Amy Adams
Classification: PG
Rating: ●●½

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

In 2006's Night at the Museum, technology allowed Ben Stiller to realistically wrestle all sorts of taxidermy in New York's Museum of Natural History. Now in Battle of the Smithsonian, Stiller goes to Washington D.C. and pretty much does the same thing.

Well, almost.

He may have gone from security guard to shilling dodgy products (like the unloseable key ring) on TV, but Larry Daley (Stiller) is still drawn back to the museum only to discover his nocturnal pals being carted off to the Smithsonian for storage.

But when the magical tablet that animates the historical figures accidentally accompanies them, a villainous Egyptian pharaoh (Hank Azaria) plots to unleash an evil army from the dead. That is, if Larry doesn't stop him first.

Yes, it's a thin premise but then, nobody is going to this movie for the intricacies of the storyline. Instead, this film is all about seeing giant CGI squids, Einstein bobble-heads and the Abe Lincoln Memorial come to life.

To that end, this movie works at a frantic pace, wasting no time getting into the action, inundating the audience with thick effects and pausing only to deliver a watered-down history lesson now and again (if you never learned who Amelia Earhart was, you'll know after this flick, sort of).

While a cluster of surprising cameo appearances (including the Jonas Brothers?) keeps the energy up, many other jokes simply fall flat, stretch out too long or just don't aren't funny in the first place. It's a shame the writers didn't get their hands on that magical tablet to help spring many of the movie's gags to life.

• For a Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian trailer, photos and screen times, or to buy tickets, visit metronews.ca/movies.

Ben Stiller, left, and Robin Williams share a moment in Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian.

Bloom skips formula

The Brothers **Bloom**

Director: Rian Johnson
Stars: Adrien Brody, Rachel Weisz
Classification: PG
Rating: ●●●

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

REVIEW Although his debut film, Brick, never blossomed into a blockbuster, filmmaker Rian Johnson has earned big expectations for his follow-up.

That's because the audacious director ably set the unlikely genre of '50s film noir in a modern high school to create a fascinating slice of fiction. Now, Johnson aims even higher with The Brothers Bloom, a worldwide tale of intrigue and slapstick, underpinned in a fantastic magical realism.

Adrien Brody and Mark Ruffalo play the titular pair of lifelong grifters who are hoping to cash in on the perfect con — duping a clumsy, bored heiress named Penelope (Rachel Weisz) into financing a bogus plan to pilfer a rare book from a European museum.

Like Brick, Bloom's greatest strength lies in Johnson's witty, quick-fire dialogue and original characters (while Penelope seems to surface a static exterior, she's secretly mastered martial arts, ping-pong and breakdancing). While this screwball nature to Bloom may appeal to some, others trying to pin down a genre may feel alienated.

Add on a twisted plot that gets caught up in its own complexity and those seeking a formula will feel further unsettled.

Impressive performances certainly boost the film's charm, but for all of Brody's sympathetic puppy-dog appeal and Weisz's surprising competence at comedy, the story still lacks emotional punch. Unfortunately, like their filmic forebear, The Brothers will also unlikely bloom into blockbusters at the box-office.

Screen Times

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OMNIMAX THEATRE SCIENCE WORLD
1455 Quebec St., 604-443-7443

Beavers (STC) Fri-Thu 12-2:05-4 Fri 7:30
Extra Large Shorts (STC) Sat 7:30
Journey Into Amazing Caves (STC) Sat-Thu 5
Roving Mars (G) Fri-Thu 1
Van Gogh: Brush With Genius (STC) Fri-Thu 11-3 Fri-Sat

CN IMAX THEATRE
201-999 Canada Place, 604-682-4629

Deep Sea 3D (G) Fri-Thu 12-4-6
Space Station 3D (G) Fri-Thu 2-5
U2 3D (G) Fri-Sun 8
Under the Sea 3D (G) Fri-Thu 1-3-7

DUNBAR THEATRE
4555 Dunbar Street, 604-222-2991

Terminator Salvation (14A) Fri 7-9:45 Sat-Sun 1-3:45-7-9:45 Mon-Thu 7-9:45

FIFTH AVENUE CINEMAS
2110 Burrard Street, 604-734-7469

Fierce Light: When Spirit Meets Action (STC) Fri-Sun 2-4:30-7:15-9:20 Mon 2-4:30-9:20 Tue-Wed 2-4:30-7:15-9:20 Thu 2-4:30
The Limits of Control (PG) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:20-7:10-9:35
Rudo Y Cursi (14A) Fri-Thu 2-4:40-7:20-9:30
The Soloist (PG) Fri-Mon 1:30-4:10-6:50-9:15 Tue 1:30-4:10-9:15 Wed 1:30-4:10-6:50-9:15 Thu 1:30-6:50-9:15
Star Trek (PG) Fri-Thu 1:15-4-7-9:45

GRANVILLE
855 Granville St., 604-684-4000

Adoration (PG) Sat-Sun 1:20-4:10-7:10-9:50 Mon-Thu 6:10-8:50
Adventureland (14A) Fri 7:05-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:15-4:05-7:05-9:30 Mon-Thu 6:05-8:30
Duplicity (PG) Fri 7-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:05-4-7-9:45 Mon-Thu 6-8:45
Lymelife (14A) Fri 7:15-9:25 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:15-9:25 Mon-Thu 6:15-8:25
Monsters vs. Aliens (G) Fri 7:30-9:40 Sat-Sun 1:10-4:15-7:30-9:40 Mon-Thu 6:30-8:40
Obsessed (PG) Fri 7:20-9:55 Sat-Sun 1-4:25-7:20-9:55 Mon-Thu 6:20-8:55
Sunshine Cleaning (14A) Fri 7:25-9:35 Sat-Sun 1:25-4:20-7:25-9:35 Mon-Thu 6:25-8:35

HOLLYWOOD THEATRE
3123 W. Broadway, 604-738-3211
hollywoodtheatre.ca

The International (14A) Fri 9:15 Sat-Sun 3:15-9:15 Mon-Thu 9:15
Taken (14A) Fri 7:30 Sat-Sun 1:30-7:30 Mon-Thu 7:30

OAKRIDGE
650 West 41st Ave., 604-263-1944

Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) DTS Digital, No Passes Fri 7-9:30 DTS Digital, No Passes Sat-Sun 1-4-7-9:30 DTS Digital, No Passes Mon-Thu 7-9:30
Star Trek (PG) DTS Digital Fri 7:30-10:15 DTS Digital Sat-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:15 DTS Digital Mon-Thu 7:30-10:15
Terminator Salvation (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Fri 7:15-10 Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Sat-Sun 1:15-4:15-7:15-10 Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Mon-Thu 7:15-10

PACIFIC CINÉMATHÈQUE
1131 Howe Street, 604-688-3456
cinematheque.bc.ca

La Promesse (18A) Fri 7:30-9:20

PARK THEATRE
3440 Cambie Street, 604-876-2747

Angels & Demons (14A) Fri 4-7-9:45 Sat-Sun 1-4-7-9:45 Mon-Thu 4-7-9:45

RIDGE THEATRE
3131 Arbutus Street, 604-738-6311

Ghosts of Girlfriends Past (PG) Fri-Thu 4-9:15
Monsters vs. Aliens (G) Wed 1
Sin Nombre (14A) Fri 7 Sat-Sun 2-7 Mon-Tue 7

RIO ON BROADWAY
1660 E. Broadway, 604-878-Film
riotheatre.ca

The Devil's Rejects (18A) Fri 12
California (STC) Sat
Natural Born Killers (STC) Sat 12
Star Trek (PG) Fri 7-9:45 Sat-Sun 4:20-7-9:45 Mon-Thu 7-9:45
The Texas Chainsaw Massacre (18A) Fri

SCOTIABANK THEATRE VANCOUVER
900 Burrard St., 604-630-1407

Angels & Demons (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-12:20-3:10-3:40-6:30-6:50-9:50-10:10 No Passes Fri-Thu 12:50-4:10-7:20-10:40
Metropolitan Opera: La Cenerentola - Encore (STC) Sat 9:30
Star Trek (PG) Fri-Tue 12:40-3:50-7:10-10:20 Wed 12:40-3:50-10:20 Thu 12:40-3:50-7:10-10:20 Fri-Thu 1:10-4:20-7:40-10:50
Terminator Salvation (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:30-1:30-3:30-4:30-6:40-7:30-9:40-10:30 No Passes Fri 1-4-7:10 No Passes Sat 10:1-4-7:10 No Passes Sun-Thu 1-4-7:10
X-Men Origins: Wolverine (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:15-7:50-10:45

TINSELTOWN
International Village, 88 West Pender, 3rd floor, 604-806-0799
cinemark.com

17 Again (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:10-2:35-5:05-7:35-10:05
Adrift in Tokyo (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:05-2:25-4:45-7:20-9:45
Dance Flick (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:55-3:05-5:10-7:25-9:30
Earth (G) Fri-Thu 12-2:30-4:50-7:10
Ghosts of Girlfriends Past (PG) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:15-7:15-9:50
I Love You, Man (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 4:30-9:55
Is Anybody There? (PG) No Passes Fri-Tue 12:45-7:05 No Passes Wed 12:45 No Passes Thu 12:45-7:05
Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:20-1-2:20-3-3:40-5-5:30-6:20-7:40-8:20-9-10:20 No Passes Fri-Thu 1:40-4:20-7:9:40
The Soloist (PG) Fri-Thu 2:05-4:55-7:45-10:30
State of Play (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:25-7:30-10:25
Tyson (14A) Fri-Thu 9:25

VANCITY THEATRE
Vancouver International Film Centre 1181 Seymour St., 604-683-Film

Doxa Documentary Film Festival (STC) Sat-Thu
Sita Sings the Blues (STC) Fri 6:30

VAN EAST CINEMA
2290 Commercial Drive, 604-251-1313
vaneast.com

Terminator Salvation (14A) Fri 7-9:30 Sat-Sun 4:30-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 7-9:30

NORTH SHORE

ESPLANADE 6
200 West Esplanade, 604-983-2762

Ghosts of Girlfriends Past (PG) Fri 7:20-9:45 Sat-Sun 1-4:20-7:20-9:45 Mon-Thu 7:20-9:45
Hannah Montana: The Movie (G) Sat-Sun 1:35-4:10
Sin City (18A) Fri 11:55
The Soloist (PG) Fri-Thu 6:50-9:35
Star Trek (PG) Fri 7-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:10-4-7-9:50 Mon-Thu 7-9:50 Fri 6:40-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:30-6:40-9:30 Mon-Thu 6:40-9:30
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PARK & TILFORD
333 Brooksbank Ave., 604-985-3911

Angels & Demons (14A) No Passes Fri 6:30-6:50-9:40-10:10 No Passes Sat 12:3-10:3-40-6:30-6:50-9:40-10:10 No Passes Sun 12:12:30-3:10-3:40-6:30-6:50-9:40-10:10 No Passes Mon-Thu 6:30-6:50-9:40-10:10
Dance Flick (14A) Fri 7-9:50 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:30-7-9:50 Mon-Thu 7-9:50
Metropolitan Opera: La Cenerentola - Encore (STC) Sat 9:30
Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) No Passes Fri 7:10-10 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:40-3:50-7:10-10 No Passes Mon-Thu 7:10-10 No Passes Fri 6:40-9:30 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:10-3:20-6:40-9:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 6:40-9:30 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
X-Men Origins: Wolverine (14A) Fri 7:20-10:05 Sat-Sun 12:20-3:7:20-10:05 Mon-Thu 7:20-10:05 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1

RICHMOND

RICHMOND CENTRE 6
6551 #3 Road, 604-273-7173

17 Again (PG) Fri 4:15-6:55-9:35 Sat 1:15-4:15-6:55-9:35 Sun 1:15-4:15-6:55 Mon-Thu 4:15-6:55
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X-Men Origins: Wolverine (14A) Fri 4:25-7:20-10:05 Sat 1:25-4:25-7:20-10:05 Sun 1:25-4:25-7:20 Mon-Thu 4:25-7:20

SILVERCITY RIVERPORT
14211 Entertainment Way, 604-272-7280

17 Again (PG) Fri-Thu 12:25-3:25-6:45-9:35
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Earth (G) Fri-Thu 1:15-6:40-9:40
Ghosts of Girlfriends Past (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-3:50-6:50-10:05
Hannah Montana: The Movie (G) Fri-Thu 3:40
Metropolitan Opera: La Cenerentola - Encore (STC) Sat 9:30
Monsters vs. Aliens (G) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:15
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DOLPHIN CINEMAS
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STATION SQUARE
220-6200 McKay Ave., 604-434-7711

17 Again (PG) Fri 4:55-7:25-9:45 Sat 2-4:55-7:25-9:45 Sun 2-4:55-7:25 Mon-Thu 4:55-7:25
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Dance Flick (14A) Fri 5-7:30-9:55 Sat 2:15-5-7:30-9:55 Sun 2:15-5-7:30 Mon-Thu 5-7:30
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NEW WEST/ COQUITLAM

SILVERCITY COQUITLAM
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17 Again (PG) Fri-Thu 12:25-3:45-6:45-10:10
Angels & Demons (14A) No Passes Fri 11:35-12:05-1-3:30-4:25-6:50-7:8:15-10:15 No Passes Sat 11:35-1-3:30-4:25-6:50-7:8:15-10:15 No Passes Sun-Wed 11:35-12:05-1-3:30-4:25-6:50-7:8:15-10:15 No Passes Thu 11:35-12:05-1-3:30-4:25-7:8:15-10:15 No Passes Fri-Tue 12:25-4:05-7:20-10:35 No Passes Wed 4:05-7:20-10:35 No Passes Thu 12:25-4:05-7:20-10:35 No Passes Wed 1
Dance Flick (14A) Fri-Thu 12:15-2:30-4:55-7:35-10:15
Earth (G) Fri-Wed 12:50-3:50-6:50 Thu 12:50-3:30-6:50
Ghosts of Girlfriends Past (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-4:20-7:25-10:35
Metropolitan Opera: La Cenerentola - Encore (STC) Sat 9:30
Monsters vs. Aliens 3D (G) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:35-6:35-9:15
Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) No Passes Fri-Tue 11:30-12-12:30-2:30-3:25-4:5-20-6:40-7:15-8-9:45-10:05-10:40 No Passes Wed 11:30-12-2:30-3:25-4:5-20-6:40-7:15-8-9:45-10:05-10:40 No Passes Thu 11:30-12-12:30-2:30-3:25-4:5-20-6:40-7:15-8-9:45-10:05-10:40 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Obsessed (PG) Fri-Thu 3:55-10:10
Star Trek (PG) Fri-Thu 12:15-12:35-1:10-3:15-3:40-4:30-6:45-7:7:40-10:10-10:35
State of Play (PG) Fri-Thu 9:45
Terminator Salvation (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:40-12:45-1:05-2:25-4:15-4:25-5:15-7:15-7:35-8:05-10:15-10:30-10:50
X-Men Origins: Wolverine (14A) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-7:40-10:35 Fri-Thu 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:05

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Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) Fri 7-9:05 Sat 1:30-3:45-7-9:05 Sun 1:30-7-9:05 Mon-Thu 7-9:05

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Fast & Furious (14A) Fri-Thu 8:30
Ghosts of Girlfriends Past (PG) Fri 6:30 Sat-Sun 12:15-6:30 Mon-Thu 6:30
Hannah Montana: The Movie (G) Fri 4:30-6:30 Sat-Sun 2:15-4:30-6:30 Mon-Thu 4:30-6:30
I Love You, Man (14A) Sat-Sun 12
Knowing (14A) Fri-Thu 8:30
Monsters vs. Aliens (G) Fri 4:30-6:30 Sat-Sun 12:2:15-4:30-6:30 Mon-Thu 4:30-6:30
Obsessed (PG) Fri-Thu 8:40
Race to Witch Mountain (PG) Fri 4:30 Sat-Sun 2:25-4:30 Mon-Thu 4:30

STRAWBERRY HILL GRANDE
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17 Again (PG) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:30-7:25-9:55
Angels & Demons (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:20-3:35-6:45-9:50 No Passes Fri-Thu 12:50-4:7:10-10:20
Dance Flick (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-3:40-7:20-9:40
Munde U.K. De (Punjabi w/e.s.t.) (G) Fri-Thu 12-12:30-3:25-4:20-7:8
Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) No Passes Fri-Tue 12:40-1:20-3:30-4:10-6:55-7:35-9:30-10:10 No Passes Wed 1:20-3:30-4:10-6:55-7:35-9:30-10:10 No Passes Thu 12:40-1:20-3:30-4:10-6:55-7:35-9:30-10:10 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
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Terminator Salvation (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:10-1-3:20-3:50-6:50-7:30-10:10-10:25
X-Men Origins: Wolverine (14A) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:25-7:05-9:45

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17 Again (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 12:40-3:50-6:50
Angels & Demons (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, No Passes Fri-Sun 12:15-1:20-3:25-4:40-6:40-8-9:50 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 12:15-1:20-3:25-4:40-6:40-8-9:50
Dance Flick (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10
Ghosts of Girlfriends Past (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 9:35
Munde U.K. De (Punjabi w/e.s.t.) (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, Sub-Titled Fri-Thu 12:50-4:25-8:15
Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 12:45-1:15-3:45-4:15-6:45-7:15-9:30-10
Star Trek (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Digital Presentation, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:30-10:15 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:45-4:45-7:45
Terminator Salvation (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1-1:30-4-4:30-7:7:30-9:45-10:30
X-Men Origins: Wolverine (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:25-4:20-7:20-10:20

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Angels & Demons (14A) Fri 7-9:30 Sat-Sun 2-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 7-9:30
X-Men Origins: Wolverine (14A) Fri 7:10-9:15 Sat-Sun 2:10-7:10-9:15 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:15

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Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) Fri 7:30-9:30 Sat-Sun 1-3:10-7:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 7:30-9:30
Star Trek (PG) Fri 7:10-9:35 Sat-Sun 2:10-7:10-9:35 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:35
Terminator Salvation (14A) Fri 7:20-9:45 Sat-Sun 2:20-7:20-9:45 Mon-Thu 7:20-9:45

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Earth (G) Fri-Sun 12:05-2:30-5-7:45 Mon-Thu 5-7:45
Ghosts of Girlfriends Past (PG) Fri-Sun 12:35-3:40-6:50-9:40 Mon-Thu 3:40-6:50-9:40
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Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian: The IMAX Experience (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 11:30-2-4:30-7-9:45 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:30-7-9:45
Obsessed (PG) Fri-Thu 10:05
Star Trek (PG) Fri-Sun 11:50-12:20-12:50-3:10-3:45-4:15-6:35-7:05-7:35-9:55-10:20-10:45 Mon-Tue 3:45-4:15-6:35-7:05-7:35-9:55-10:20-10:45 Wed 3:10-3:45-4:15-6:35-7:05-7:35-9:55-10:20-10:45 Thu 3:45-4:15-6:35-7:05-7:35-9:55-10:20-10:45
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Music

Eminem set to top charts with Relapse

CHARTS Rap singer Eminem's first studio album in four years focuses more on his drug problems than rants against celebrities and relatives, but the new-found introspection is not expected to block his rise up the charts.

Relapse was released worldwide this week and is likely to debut at No. 1 on the U.S. pop charts next week.

Trade publication Billboard said Relapse could sell as many as 650,000 copies across the United States in its first week, making it the biggest debut so far this year. But the estimated sales pale against those of his previous releases, a result of the recorded-music industry's decline.

His previous studio album, 2004's Encore, sold 711,000 copies in its first week. While Eminem's albums have skewered other singers such as Britney Spears and Moby as well as his mother and ex-wife, Relapse deals more with his drug addictions, overdoses, depression and stints in and out of rehabilitation.

Eminem has a new album.

"It's no secret I had a drug problem, I just don't think my fans knew how bad it was," Eminem, who has kept a low profile at his Detroit-area home in recent years, wrote in an article for the hip-hop magazine Vibe. REUTERS

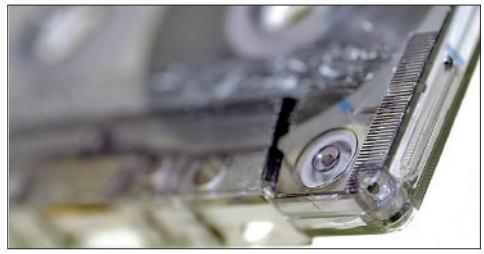
Looking for rock in Asia

SoundCheck

Alan Cross
metronews.ca/soundcheck

Anyone who's not experienced the time-and-space disruption of jet lag will probably tell you that it's all in your head and you should just buck up and get back to work. But if you've ever experienced massive longitudinal displacement over a short period of time understand that the physical, mental and emotional effects are quite real. Having just returned from the far side of the planet — 12 full time zones away from my natural reality — I can once again vouch that jet lag is very, very real.

So before I completely lose it — it'll take a few more days for my body and mind to re-sync — here's what I found on my musical reconnaissance mission through Southeast Asia.


Many Indonesian record stores stock pre-recorded cassettes.

There isn't much of a rock scene, yet: Hong Kong, Thailand, Singapore and Malaysia are mostly about pop music, ballads and love songs. Rock scenes do exist, but they tend to be small, insular and confined to tiny clubs. That being said, they're learning fast. I found several bands, including A Vacant Affair who could find an audience in the West with fans who like Alexisonfire.

Bootlegging is rampant: Indonesia is especially rife with piracy, although there is a legitimate industry there as well. Superman is Dead sounds like a slightly slicker NOFX. (Interesting note: Many Indonesian record stores still stock pre-recorded cassettes).

There's no place for big bands to play in Hong Kong: There are some outdoor venues, but stringent noise bylaws get in the way. They once tried an experiment where everyone was given gloves to mute the applause and headphones so that the PA didn't have to be too loud. Oddly, that didn't work.

Want alternative and metal? Try Beijing: You'll find some pretty fierce stuff being played right under the noses of the Party bosses in Tiananmen Square. The music is loud and very, very angry. Many bands sing in Mandarin or Cantonese, but they get the message across.

And don't forget Malaysia: Call it the Linkin Park Effect. They're a huge draw in places like Kuala Lumpur and have obviously been inspiring to a good number of local musicians.

If you ever find yourself in Hong Kong, check out a store called Rendezvous Records in Star House (right across from the Star Ferry docks in Kowloon). Staff is very helpful and the store's import selection is excellent.

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2. Zero, **Yeah Yeah Yeahs**
3. Schoolyard, **Wintermitts**
4. Microphone, **Coconut Records**
5. Geraldine, **Glasvegas**
6. The Rake's Song, **The Decemberists**
7. I'm Confused, **The Handsome Furs**
8. Pulling Punches, **The Arkells**
9. I'm With You, **The Stills**
10. Ragged Wood, **Fleet Foxes**

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Smallville moves to Friday

The CW network is moving Superman series Smallville to Fridays at 8 p.m., for its ninth (and perhaps final) season, sources tell TVGuide.com. TVGUIDE.COM

Television

Mike Ruiz, Canada's Next Top Model judge.

Judging beyond just beauty

Mike Ruiz forms strong bonds on Canada's Next Top Model panel

BRIAN COULTON
for Metro Canada

The walk, the look, the appeal — Mike Ruiz knows what a girl needs to be a top model. But what he's looking for goes beyond classic beauty.

"It's a combination of a lot of things, most of which is innate. It's nothing you can really put your finger on. And because she is going to become a spokesperson for the Top Model brand, and also for Canada, we also needed a very smart, articulate, funny person," he said.

Ruiz is the latest addition to the panel of judges on Canada's Next Top Model, which premieres its third season Tuesday on CTV.

He joins host and America's Next Top Model regular Jay Manuel, fashion journalist Jeanne Beker and supermodel Yasmin Warsame, who will decide which of 11 model hopefuls will take the CNTM crown and a $100,000 beauty contract, based on a series of weekly challenges.

Spotting top models is nothing new for Ruiz. Once a model himself, the Montréal native and celebrity photographer has shot girls and sat alongside Tyra Banks, playing guest judge on previous seasons of ANTM.

And while Ruiz considered Canadian women considerably more reserved than their American counterparts before joining the domestic jury, he said this time around, things are going to change.

"This season, it gets a little dramatic ... let's just put it that way," he said. "The energy level is definitely amped up and definitely comparable."

Heightened energy equals heightened emotion for Ruiz, who never expected to form strong attachments to the contestants. He'd seen judges get teary-eyed on ANTM and always thought, "What's the big deal?"

"I didn't expect to be a blubbering little girl on air!" he said with a laugh. "By two or three judgings in, I was so heavily invested in all the girls that it just became so difficult. I shed more than one tear on camera, sending girls home."

FRIDAY

VA	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
5/22/09	251	308	3	CBC	NHL Hockey	CBC News	Rick Mercer	Marketplace	CBC News: the fifth estate		CBC News: The National (N)		The Hour
	255	358	6	JOY	E News	The Insider	THS: The Real Life CSI		THS: Original Night Stalker		20/20 (N) (CC)		CHEK News
	250	321	9	CTV	etalk (CC)	Hollywood	Ghost Whisperer (CC)		Flashpoint (CC)		Spectacle: Elivs		CTV News
	252	336	11	GTV	Entertainment	Malcolm-Mid.	Howie Do It	Howie Do It	House (PA) (CC)		NUMB3RS "Scan Man"		News (N)
	256	389	12	VI	The Road to Avonlea		Don't Forget the Lyrics!		Supernanny "Lewis Family"		Spectacle: Elivs		A News (N)
	253	359	13	CITY	Law & Order: SVU		Mantracker "Buck & RJ"		Departures (CC)		Out There	Out There	The List
	-	-	14	CW	Deal-No Deal	Deal-No Deal	Hates Chris	The Game	Hates Chris	The Game	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Frasier (CC)
	289	381	15	CBS	Entertainment	The Insider	Ghost Whisperer (CC)		Flashpoint (CC)		NUMB3RS "Scan Man"		News
	287	379	16	NBC	Evening Mag.	Inside Edition	Howie Do It	Howie Do It	Dateline NBC (CC)				KING 5 News
	288	380	41	ABC	Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Wife Swap (CC)		Supernanny "Lewis Family"		20/20 (N) (CC)		News
	290	382	23	FOX	Two Men	Two Men	Don't Forget the Lyrics!		House (PA) (CC)		News (N)	Most Wanted	Family Guy
news	502	390	26	NW	CBC News: The National (N)		CBC News: The National		CBC News: The National		CBC News: the fifth estate		National
	500	500	33	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)				Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)		Cooper 360
sports	407	419	22	RSP	Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Hockey	MMA Conn	The Ultimate Fighter		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Sportsnet
	400	400	30	TSN	NBA Basketball: East Final		SportsCentre (Live) (CC)		Boxing Friday Night Fights. (Same-day Tape) (CC)				SportsCentre
family	552	543	25	YTV	Aquamarine ★★ (2006) Sara Paxton, Joanna "JoJo" Levesque. (CC)					Prank Patrol	Family Biz (N)	Adrenaline	Mystery Hnt.
	555	545	50	TEL	Batman	Spider-Man	Wolverine	Justice	Futurama		Batman: Gotham Knight (2008, Action) (CC)		Batman: Goth
	268	354	5	KNO	For King and Country (CC)		Poirot (CC)		Life Begins "Hidden Pain"		Ladies and Gentlemen...		Jack Bush
	575	583	20	CMT	Behind the Camera: The Unauthorized Story of Charlie's Angels ★★					Candid C.	Behind the Camera: Charlie's Angels		
	615	520	31	A&E	CSI: Miami (CC)		Criminal Minds "Identity"		CSI: Miami "Chain Reaction"		CSI: Miami (CC)		CSI: Miami
	521	560	24	TLC	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate Plus 8		Jon & Kate 8
	616	522	39	SHO	The Outer Limits (CC)		The Best Years		Testees	Kenny	Webdreams	Sin Cities	Wife Swap
	294	650	57	TBS	(6:00) What Women Want ★★ (2000) (CC)			(:40) My Boys	Sex and-City	Sex and-City	(:10) Sister Act ★★ (1992) (PA) (CC)		
	603	561	62	FN	Diners	Diners	Ramsay's Kitchen		Unwrapped	Unwrapped	Bobby Flay	Dinner	Diners
	320	621	30	CEN	(6:25) Breakfast With Scot		Coco Chanel (2008) Shirley MacLaine. Coco Chanel becomes an influential French fashion designer. (CC)						
	581	566	161	MTV	Fantasy Fact.	Nitro Circus	MTV Live	Cribs (CC)	Real World-Road Rules		Fantasy Fact.	Nitro Circus	Made (CC)

SATURDAY

VA	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
5/23/09	251	308	3	CBC	NHL Hockey	Comedy Fest.	Owning Mahowny ★★★ (2003) Philip Seymour Hoffman.			CBC News	Movie	
	255	358	6	JOY	Out There	E News	Rich Poor	Rich Poor	Hush (2005) Tori Spelling, Victoria Pratt. Premiere. (CC)			CHEK News
	250	321	9	CTV	W-FIVE (CC)		Ghost Whisperer (CC)		Southland "Derailed" (CC)		Law & Order (CC)	CTV-News
	252	336	11	GTV	ET Canada	Masterminds	Shattered Dreams		Doc "Wake Up Call" (N)		Doc "Blindsided" (N) (CC)	News (N)
	256	389	12	VI	New Canoe	Island Week	The Road to Avonlea		Kool Countdown (CC)		Comedy Now Graham Clark.	Bravo! Fact
	253	359	13	CITY	Without a Trace "No Mas"		Murdoch Mysteries		Ripper: Letter From Hell ★ (2001) A.J. Cook. (CC) (DVS)			Role
	-	-	14	CW	CSI: NY (CC)		Operation Smile		Boston Legal (CC)		CSI: NY (CC)	CSI: Miami
	289	381	15	CBS	Paid Program	Paid Program	Ghost Whisperer (CC)		Harper's Island "Sploosh"		48 Hours Mystery (CC)	News
	287	379	16	NBC	Backroads	Countdwn	Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Southland "Derailed" (CC)		Law & Order (CC)	KING 5 News
	288	380	41	ABC	NBA Basketball: West Final		Northern Exposure (CC)		Fortune	Jeopardy!	The Medal ... Celebrating	News
	290	382	23	FOX	Two Men	Two Men	Cops (CC)	Cops (CC)	America's Most Wanted		News (N)	Most Wanted	MADtv (CC)
news	502	390	26	NW	India Reborn		Sat. Report	Weekend	Sat. Report	Mansbridge	India Reborn		Sat. Report
	500	500	33	CNN	Newsroom		Newsroom		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Newsroom
sports	407	419	22	RSP	Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Poker After Dark (CC)		The Ultimate Fighter		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Poker
	400	400	30	TSN	NBA Basketball: West Final		SportsCentre	NASCAR Racing Nationwide Series -- Carquest Auto Parts 300. (CC)					SportsCentre
family	552	543	25	YTV	Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	Survive This	Adrenaline	In Real Life (CC)		Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	Mystery Hnt.
	555	545	50	TEL	Tweety's High Flying Adventure (CC)			Planet Sketch	Futurama	Chicken	Clone High	Rick & Steve	Moral Orel
	268	354	5	KNO	National Geographic		Heartbeat "Love Story"		Midsomer Murders "Dead in the Water" (CC)				Jazz
	575	583	20	CMT	CMT's Greatest "Videos of All Time"				Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	Ult. Coyote Ugly Search		Ed (CC)
	615	520	31	A&E	The Sopranos "College"		The Sopranos (CC)		CSI: Miami "Invasion" (CC)		CSI: Miami (CC)		The Sopranos
	521	560	24	TLC	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate Plus 8 (CC)		Jon & Kate 8
	616	522	39	SHO	Mutant X (CC)		Tell Me No Lies (2007) Kelly Rutherford, Kirsten Prout.				Casino Royale ★★★ (2006) Daniel Craig.		
	294	650	57	TBS	(6:30) Failure to Launch (CC)		(:15) Something's Gotta Give ★★★ (2003) Jack Nicholson. (CC)					(:45) The Upside of Anger	
	603	561	62	FN	Kitchen Nightmares (CC)		The F Word		Challenge (CC)		Ultimate Recipe Showdown		Nightmares
	320	621	30	CEN	Slap Shot 3: Junior League		Get Smart ★★ (2008) Steve Carell. Premiere. (CC)				Evan Almighty ★★ (2007) Steve Carell.		
	581	566	161	MTV	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	MTV Live	MTV News	After

SUNDAY

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5/24/09	251	308	3	CBC	22 Minutes	Laughs	The Englishman's Boy (2008) Michael Therriault. (CC)			CBC News: Sunday Night (N)		CBC News:
	255	358	6	JOY	Inside Hollywood (N) (CC)		Extreme Makeover: Home		Starsky & Hutch ★★ (2004) Ben Stiller, Owen Wilson. (CC)			CHEK News
	250	321	9	CTV	Corner Gas	Degrassi	Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Criminal Minds "To Hell ..."		Criminal Minds (CC)	CTV-News
	252	336	11	GTV	16:9 Picture	Bob & Doug	Futurama: Bender's Game (2008) Voices of Lauren Tom.				The Unit "Sex Trade" (CC)	News (N)
	256	389	12	VI	Funniest Home Videos		Million Dollar Password		Cold Case "Roller Girl"		Law & Order: SVU		New Canoe
	253	359	13	CITY	Two Men	Hates Chris	Friends	Friends	Privileged (CC)		Crusoe (CC) (DVS)		Role
	-	-	14	CW	Jericho "Oversight" (CC)		Love Is All There Is ★★ (1996) Lainie Kazan. (CC)				Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Cold Case
	289	381	15	CBS	60 Minutes (CC)		Million Dollar Password		Cold Case "Roller Girl"		The Unit "Sex Trade" (CC)		News
	287	379	16	NBC	Dateline NBC (CC)				The Last Templar ★ (2009) (Part 1 of 2) Mira Sorvino.				KING 5 News
	288	380	41	ABC	Funniest Home Videos		Extreme Makeover: Home		Diamonds (2009) (Part 1 of 2) James Purefoy. Premiere.				News
	290	382	23	FOX	NASCAR	Washington	American Chopper (CC)		Family Guy	Family Guy	News (N)	Sports	House (CC)
news	502	390	26	NW	I.O.U.S.A. ★★★ (2008, Documentary) (CC)			Our World	CBC News: Sunday Night		I.O.U.S.A. ★★★ (2008, Documentary) (CC)		
	500	500	33	CNN	Newsroom		Newsroom		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Union
sports	407	419	22	RSP	MLB Baseball		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		The Ultimate Fighter		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Sportsnet
	400	400	30	TSN	NASCAR	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)			Golf Senior PGA Championship -- Final Round. (CC)				SportsCentre
family	552	543	25	YTV	Gym Teacher: The Movie		SpongeBob	Prank Patrol	In Real Life "Police Action"		Adrenaline	Survive This	Mystery Hnt.
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	268	354	5	KNO	When Animals Attract		Deceived by Flight (1988) John Thaw, Kevin Whately. (CC)				Life Begins "Hidden Pain"		Jazz
	575	583	20	CMT	(6:00) The Wedding Singer		Weddings	Jessica	The Wedding Singer ★★★ (1998) Adam Sandler.				Weddings
	615	520	31	A&E	CSI: Miami (CC)		CSI: Miami "Backstabbers"		CSI: Miami "Lost Son"		CSI: Miami "Pro Per" (CC)		CSI: Miami
	521	560	24	TLC	Jon & Kate Plus 8 (CC)		Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate
	616	522	39	SHO	The Guard (CC)		Time and Again (2007, Drama) Brooke Burns.				Rescue Me "Perspective"		The Guard
	294	650	57	TBS	(5:00) Hitch	Hitch ★★★ (2005, Romance-Comedy) Will Smith, Eva Mendes. (CC)					Last Holiday ★★ (2006) Queen Latifah.		
	603	561	62	FN	Jamie's School Dinners		At the Table	At the Table	Get on Plate	Food	Iron Chef America (CC)		Dinners
	320	621	30	CEN	(6:20) The Perfect Holiday		This Christmas ★★ (2007) Delroy Lindo. Premiere. (CC)				White Tuft, the Little Beaver (2008) (CC)		
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It's a girl!
It's a girl for Chad Lowe and his girlfriend, producer Kim Painter, the actor's rep confirms to People. Daughter Mabel Painter Lowe made her debut on Saturday in Los Angeles. **PEOPLE.COM**

Mix of Six

Lady Sovereign
When: Friday
Where: Richard's on Richards

The London-raised rapper has returned after a year off with her new album Jigsaw, which has been released on her own label after cutting ties with Jay-Z's Def Jam label.

Chris Lake
When: Friday
Where: Celebrities Night Club

British house music DJ and music producer will play an electric dance show. While he has not released a full album, he gained popularity worldwide for his bootleg remix of the Eurythmics' "Sweet Dreams."

EAT! Vancouver, the Everything Food + Cooking Festival
When: Friday to Sunday
Where: B.C. Place Stadium

Celebrity chefs, cookbook authors and popular local restaurants will be on hand for Canada's largest consumer food, cooking and kitchen show.

DOXA Documentary Film Festival
When: Through May 31
Where: Various downtown theatres

This film festival brings 75 eye-opening and unexpected films from Canada and around the world to Vancouver. More information can be found at doxafestival.ca

21st Century Flea Market
When: Sunday
Where: Croatian Cultural Centre

Around 175 vendors will be selling 20th Century collectables and memorabilia at bargain prices. Retro furnishings, books, jewelry, silverware and much more will be shown off at the one-day event.

Animal Collective
When: Sunday
Where: Commodore Ballroom

The experimental New Yorker neo-psychedelic quartet will be playing songs from their newest album, Merriweather Post Pavilion.

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Supernatural leaps to Thursdays

The CW is the latest network to throw its hat in the Thursday ring with a bold scheduling move on the most lucrative night on television.

The network plans to slot hot new drama Vampire Diaries on 8 p.m. Thursdays, paired with Supernatural.

New drama Melrose Place will be paired with 90210, repeating the launch pattern for the original Melrose Place, which followed Beverly Hills, 90210 on Fox in fall 1992.

Focusing on a group of young male and female models, the new drama Beautiful Life is considered a perfect scripted companion for America's Next Top Model and will launch after the hit reality series on Wednesdays.

The CW's flagship Monday lineup of Gossip Girl and One Tree Hill will stay intact. The network recently announced that it will stop programming Sunday nights, enabling its affiliated stations to air what they choose.

Smallville had been in the Thursday 8 p.m. period for the past four seasons. The Superman drama landed on Thursday in fall 2005, when it was on the WB, and was joined several months later by then-freshman series Supernatural.

All major networks are taking swings at the all-important Thursday night.

Returning series Fringe (Fox) and The Mentalist (CBS) are moving to Thursday at 9 p.m. and 10 p.m., respectively. ABC is positioning hot sci-fi newcomer Flash Forward at 8 p.m.

And, after several weeks of SNL specials to start off the season, NBC will get freshman comedy Community to lead off its comedy block at 8 p.m.

REUTERS

Vampires...they're everywhere

- Vampire Diaries, based on the Alloy Entertainment series of teen vampire books, is envisioned as a central element of the Thursday schedule, where the CW has a built-in sci-fi audience with Smallville and Supernatural.

Atlanta man charged with murder of rap-artist Dolla

CRIME An Atlanta man was charged Wednesday with murdering a promising rapper at an upscale Los Angeles shopping mall earlier this week.

Aubrey Berry, 23, is accused of shooting 21-year-old Roderick Burton, a.k.a. Dolla, in the head Monday. Dolla was standing in the parking garage at a mall near Beverly Hills.

If convicted of murder and two related charges, Berry faces a maximum of life in prison with the possibility of parole, according to Los Angeles prosecutors.

The motive for the killing remains unclear, although the two men were involved in an altercation last week at an Atlanta strip club frequented by the hip-hop community, according to the Los Angeles Times.

The Los Angeles District Attorney's office said Berry drove away from the scene of the crime and was later arrested at Los Angeles International Airport, allegedly carrying a gun.

Dolla's song Feelin Myself was featured in the 2006 dance movie Step Up. The singer was finishing work on his debut album, stopping to do some shopping before heading to the studio.

The shooting took place close to where another rapper, Notorious B.I.G., was fatally shot in 1997.

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In brief

IDOL The American Idol finale drew its smallest audience since 2004 as an estimated 28.8 million viewers tuned in Wednesday to watch underdog Kris Allen beat Adam Lambert, the Fox network said Thursday. The singing competition broadcast on News Corp's Fox network remains the most-watched TV show in the United States despite a decline in ratings over the last two years. The preliminary figures from Nielsen Media Research for Wednesday's two-hour climax to the show's eighth season in prime time compares to the nearly 32 million people who tuned in to last year's finale.

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Metro's 7th Heaven

1 Inglourious Basterds
FILM Pulp visionary Quentin Tarantino's latest genre-bender doesn't hit North American theatres till late summer, but the buzz around the Brad Pitt-starring film's global debut at Cannes hit fever pitch this week.

2 CBS
NETWORK In these days of hit reality shows, CBS is an anomaly. The network remained the most-watched network for the 11th straight week, on the strength of its dramas and sitcoms. Last week, CBS averaged 11.2 million prime-time viewers, according to Nielsen Media Research.

3 Punch-Out
GAME Care to knock out King Hippo or Von Kaiser? The legendary Nintendo boxing game, in which you play up-and-coming fighter Little Mac, breaks its 15-year hiatus for Wii. If you were a fan of the original, this one would be hard to miss.

4 American Idol
WINNER Here's a little tip for winning America's No. 1 talent show: Don't be a judge's favourite. Just as David Cook trumped frontrunner David Archuleta last year, dark horse Kris Allen edged out best-bet Adam Lambert Wednesday night in the show's finale.

5 Canada's Next Great Sportscaster
CONTEST If you think you have what it takes to be the future Don Cherry, then The Score sports journalism talent hunt is for you. The channel will be holding a series of country-wide auditions, hitting Toronto June 12-13. Visit drafted.ca.

6 Gonzales
RECORD Talk about getting your money's worth. Gonzales, the Montreal-born musician, set a Guinness World Record for the longest concert by a solo artist when he performed for more than 27 hours in Paris this week.

7 Law and Order
SHOW Who says crime never pays? The NBC series has been delivering the goods since 1990 and has now been renewed for a record-tying 20th season. Law & Order will stand with Gunsmoke, on CBS, as TV's longest-running prime-time drama.

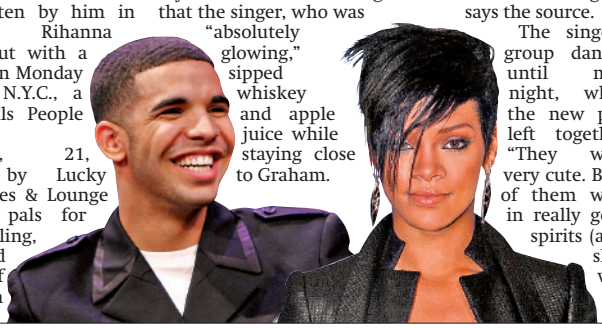
Orlando popped the question?
Orlando Bloom is engaged, femalefirst.co.uk alleges. The actor sparked rumours he has asked his girlfriend Miranda Kerr to marry him after the Australian model was spotted wearing a gold diamond band on her ring finger. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

Rihanna's Canadian boyfriend?

OH CANADA After quietly continuing to see Chris Brown after she was alleged beaten by him in February, Rihanna stepped out with a new guy on Monday night in N.Y.C., a source tells People magazine.

Rihanna, 21, stopped by Lucky Strike Lanes & Lounge with 10 pals for some bowling, drinks and plenty of PDA with Canadian hip-hop artist Aubrey (Drake) Graham, says a source — adding that the singer, who was "absolutely glowing," sipped whiskey and apple juice while staying close to Graham.



"The two of them were stealing kisses here and there the whole night," says the source.

The singer's group danced until midnight, when the new pair left together. "They were very cute. Both of them were in really good spirits (and) she was having a great time," adds the source.

Graham, an actor, is best known for playing wheelchair-bound Jimmy Brooks on Degrassi: The Next Generation. Also known as Drake in the hip-hop world, the Toronto native is a protegé of rapper Lil Wayne.

Reps for Rihanna and Graham could not be reached for comment. Reports about the pair first appeared in the New York Post's Page Six.

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Beyoncé's struggle for a bootylicious body

HEALTH AND EXERCISE Beyoncé Knowles struggles to keep her bootylicious body, usmagazine.com reports.

"I'm not one of those people who doesn't have to work at it," the singer-actress, 27, tells the June issue of Self magazine. "I can't eat what I want, and I can't not go to the gym.

"I'm trying to do as much cardio as I can, so if I have a really long day of dancing (in rehearsals), then I'll run maybe three miles," Knowles told the magazine a few days before her I Am... tour kicked off.

"If not, then I'll run six," she continues. And that doesn't include her weight routine.

"I'll put on a song that I really like and do (biceps curls with) five-pound weights (for) the whole song and just try to burn out," she says.

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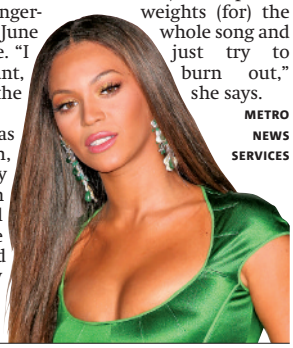

Britney a-Twitter on beach vacay

FAMILY TIME Britney Spears showed off her fit bikini bod while on vacation in The Bahamas Wednesday, usmagazine.com reports. "Nothing better than a day at the beach with my family!" she wrote on Twitter.

The 27-year-old spent time building sand castles with her sons Sean Preston, 3, and Jayden James, 2. She also hung out with her dad, Jamie, brother Bryan and agent, Jason Trawick.

The singer just wrapped up the North American leg of her Circus tour. She kicks off her European shows on June 3 in London.

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GETTY IMAGES

Amy takes turn for worse?

BACKSLIDE Amy Winehouse was hospitalized again recently in St. Lucia, where she has been living since the new year.

"She was complaining of chest pains so the doctor advised her to come in and she was kept in for observation and then released," a spokesman confirmed to the Daily Mirror. This is the third time Winehouse has been hospitalized in three months.

She's set to return to the U.K. for a concert next Sunday, but friends worry her drinking will get in the way.

The troubled singer — who is living on the Caribbean island while she writes new material — wants to make her stay permanent by purchasing a luxurious, $6-million US home, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The Rehab singer is interested in a 2.5-acre, six-bedroom beachside estate called Shingle Cove.

Amy, 25, says of her restorative time in St. Lucia: "I'm in the best place I've been for ages. I'm getting lots of exercise and have been able to relax."

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Bette and Fiddy friends?

OPPOSITES ATTRACT? An unlikely celebrity pair got together to raise money for charity recently: 50 Cent was spotted hanging out with Bette Midler at an event for the New York Restoration Project, according to the Daily Mirror.

The nonprofit organization, founded by Midler, aims to create and restore the city's parks and community gardens.

"He's a give-back kind of guy," Midler says. "We came to him and proposed that we renovate the garden (at his childhood home in Queen's) ... and he said: 'Where do I sign?'"

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Cancer behind MJ's show delay?

RUMOUR MILL Michael Jackson has delayed his comeback tour, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The singer will now kick off his London residency on July 13, five days later than originally planned.

Shows scheduled to take place on July 10, 12 and 14 have been postponed to 2010.

It has been reported the 50-year-old star was to have surgery for alleged skin cancer yesterday, in which doctors were to remove cancerous flesh on his chest and nose. Jackson may also need radiation, according to Britain's The Sun.

Randy Phillips, president of tour promoter AEG Live, dismissed Jackson's rumoured cancer battle and stressed the delay is down to the "massive and technically complex show."

He said: "Michael is not sleeping with elephants and not suffering skin cancer. He's a magnet for weird stories but he's in great shape. I'd trade my body for his tomorrow.

"This show has grown in size and scope, thereby necessitating more lead time." METRO NEWS SERVICES

Hayden could 'regret' tattoo

SHOULD'VE SPELLCHECKED Heroes star Hayden Panettiere has been sporting a new tattoo, an Italian phrase running down the left side of her back in script.

The tattoo should read, "Vivere senza rimpianti," or "live without regrets." But unfortunately for the 19-year-old actress, the last word of the phrase is misspelled, according to Perez Hilton, making it instead read, "live without rimipianti."

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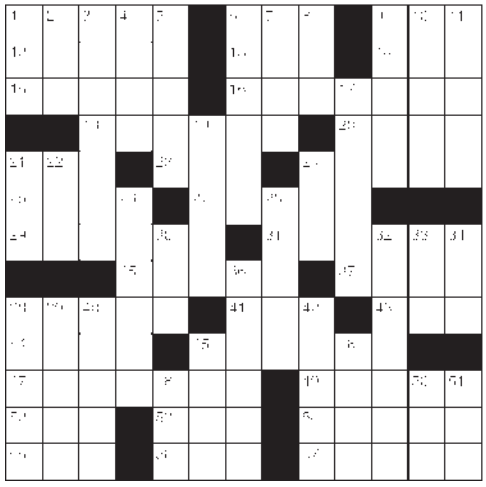

Crossword across

1 Brahmanist
6 Upper limit
9 Mailing abbr.
12 Had a home-cooked meal
13 Pussycat's boatmate
14 Seine matter
15 Acted grandmotherly
16 Rifle attachment
18 Short and thick
20 Fork option
21 Flightless bird
23 Wet wiggler
24 Liberace's prop
25 Croupier's tool
27 Crystal-lined rock
29 To-do list
31 Film festival city
35 "Sinker"
37 Ship-building wood
38 Loosen
41 Ultramodernist
43 Take a whack at
44 Lunch hour
45 Removed with the teeth
47 Jack Webb series
49 Grinder
52 Type squares
53 Inseparable
54 Datum for Drew Carey
55 Snitch
56 Join together
57 Under a spell

Crossword down

1 Possessed
2 Jurist Lance
3 Obi ornament
4 Nutritionist's recommendation
5 Ill-deserved
6 Repair, as shoes
7 Vacationing
8 Thickness
9 Columbus' home
10 Song of joy
11 Top
17 East
19 Started
21 Mound stat
22 Periodical, for short
24 BlackBerry, e.g.
26 Conclusion
28 Square dance group
30 Buck's mate
32 Blockbuster alternative
33 Listener
34 Firmament
36 All together
38 Hypnotized
39 Bellini opera
40 Raise a glass to
42 Pizzazz
45 Part of N.B.
46 Links warning
48 Promptly
50 Blackjack component
51 Embarrassed

Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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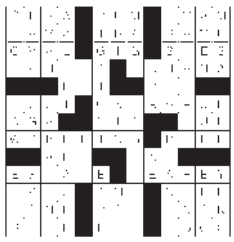

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7	8	6	3	2	1	5	9	4
9	2	1	4	5	6	3	8	7

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Under 13 min .....Genius
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17-21 min .....Smart
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25+ min.....Keep practising

Metro Recipe of the Day

Baked Swiss Steak

INGREDIENTS:

1 lb (500 g) boneless beef round steak, trimmed
1/4 tsp (1 ml) each salt and black pepper
Nonstick cooking spray
2 tbsp (25 ml) all-purpose flour
1 can (14 oz/398 ml) low-sodium tomatoes, undrained and cut up
2 stalks celery, sliced 1/2 in. (1-cm) thick
1 large yellow onion, cut into wedges
3/4 cup (175 ml) frozen whole kernel corn
1 1/2 tsp (7 ml) dried oregano leaves

METHOD:

1. Preheat oven to 350 F (180 C). Sprinkle steak on both sides with salt and pepper. Cut steak into 4 pieces. Pound both sides of pieces until pieces are 1/2 inch thick (page 116).
2. Coat 12-inch (30-cm) skillet with cooking spray. Heat skillet over moderately high heat. Add steak pieces and cook until browned, 3 minutes per side. Transfer to 13" x 9" x 2" (33 cm x 23 cm x 5 cm) baking dish.
3. Stir flour into skillet drippings. Stir in tomatoes, celery, onion, corn and oregano. Bring to boil over moderate heat and boil for 1 minute, stirring constantly. Pour over meat in baking dish.
4. Cover and bake until meat is tender, 1 1/4 hours. Serve meat and tomato mixture with mashed potatoes or hot cooked noodles.

SERVES 4

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MARCH 21-APRIL 20
Venus, planet of emotional and material values, in your birth sign promises that good things will come at you from all sides until the end of the month.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
What happens today may take you by surprise but don't freeze like a rabbit caught in oncoming headlights. Just get out of the way.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
Friendships and social activities will go well for you today and that's good because you are no doubt bored with your home life. Get out and about.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
You will find it remarkably easy to get your way with employers and other important people today. Just let them know what you want.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
You are in an adventurous mood and that will work in your favour today as your travels bring you into contact with people who inspire you.

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
You may be a bit touchy today, especially where money matters are concerned, but almost certainly you have nothing to worry about.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
Everyone seems to be singing your praises right now, which is very nice, but someone you are close to emotionally is going through a terrible time.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
It is a waste of time making a fuss if someone you work with makes a mess of a project you are labouring on together. Get a new partner or go it alone.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
Although partnerships are under challenging stars at the moment, your number one romantic relationship has recently moved from good to great.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
Whether or not you agree with what a friend or family member is up to is neither here nor there — you must support them. Repay their kindness.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
You'll have to work hard today but you don't have to look so serious while you are at it. You can make your load lighter with the right frame of mind.

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
A little bit of gentle persuasion will most likely go a long way today. If it doesn't, try bribery instead — that's sure to work.

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FROM **$897**
+ taxes & fees $457

INCLUDES roundtrip airfare and 7 nights 3-star central accom with daily breakfast. **ADD** London Eye & Thames River sightseeing cruise from $45.

Barcelona Costa Daurada FROM **$1137** + taxes & fees $359

INCLUDES roundtrip airfare, transfers and 7 nights 4-star accom on the coast south of Barcelona in Salou with 2 meals daily.

Munich Bavaria Explorer FROM **$1147** + taxes & fees $299

INCLUDES roundtrip airfare, 7 nights 3-star accom with breakfast daily, hop-on hop-off Grand Circle pass, full-day Salzburg City tour, full-day Royal Castles tour and dinner show at the Hofbräuhaus.

Paris 7 Nights FROM **$1197** + taxes & fees $408

INCLUDES roundtrip airfare, 7 nights 3.5-star accom with breakfast daily located in the 12th district and Seine cruise.

Amsterdam 7 Nights FROM **$1227** + taxes & fees $424

INCLUDES roundtrip airfare, 7 nights 3-star accom with breakfast daily, hop-on hop-off canal boat bus pass and 2 half-day tours.

Adventure Holidays

GREEK ISLANDS SAILING
FROM **$899**
+ local payment EUR200

INCLUDES 8 days aboard a 50-foot yacht, snorkelling equipment, skipper and captain on this sailing adventure of the Greek Islands. Explore ancient archaeological sites, taverna-lined harbours and dine on fresh seafood.

Thailand Tribal North FROM **$689** + local payment USD250

INCLUDES all accom, transportation, some meals, tour leader and local guides on this 14-day small group tour exploring Tribal Thailand. **HIGHLIGHTS** Bangkok, River Kwai, Ayuthaya, Chiang Mai, hilltribe trek, Golden Triangle, Chiang Rai, elephant ride and bamboo river rafting.

Belize & Guatemala Hummingbird Highway FROM **$949** + local payment USD250

INCLUDES all accom, transportation, some meals, tour leader and local guides on this 14-day small group tour exploring Belize & Guatemala. **HIGHLIGHTS** Tikal, Flores, San Ignacio, Caye Caulker, Belize City, Mayan ruins, jungle hikes and the 2nd longest barrier reef in the world.

July Weekend Holidays

WHISTLER CANADA DAY WEEKEND
FROM **$239**
taxes & fees included

INCLUDES 4 nights 3.5-star accom in the heart of Whistler Village. **ADD** car rental with unlimited mileage from $136.

Seattle Independence Day Weekend FROM **$389** taxes & fees included

INCLUDES 3 nights 3-star accom in the heart of Seattle close to Pike Place Market. **ADD** car rental with unlimited mileage from $99.

Banff Canada Day Weekend FROM **$595** + taxes & fees $133

INCLUDES roundtrip airfare and 4 nights 3-star accom in Banff. **ADD** car rental with unlimited mileage from $84. **ADD** discover grizzly bears tour from $139. **ADD** canyon river rafting from $96.

PEI Canada Day Weekend FROM **$935** + taxes & fees $185

INCLUDES roundtrip airfare and 4 nights 4-star accom in the heart of downtown Charlottetown. **ADD** 18-hole round of golf at Green Gables Golf & Country Club from $160.

Sun Holidays

PUNTA CANA 4-STAR
FROM **$847**
+ taxes & fees $312

INCLUDES roundtrip airfare, transfers and 7 nights 4-star all-inclusive accom.

Cayo Coco 4-Star FROM **$684** + taxes & fees $229

INCLUDES roundtrip airfare, transfers and 7 nights 4-star all-inclusive accom.

Samana 4-Star FROM **$688** + taxes & fees $324

INCLUDES roundtrip airfare, transfers and 7 nights 4-star all-inclusive accom.

Hawai'i 7 Nights FROM **$699** + taxes & fees $143

INCLUDES roundtrip airfare and 7 nights 3-star accom in famous Waikiki. **ADD** Polynesian sunset dinner and show cruise from $75.

Turks & Caicos 4-Star FROM **$1157** + taxes & fees $244

INCLUDES roundtrip airfare and 7 nights 4-star deluxe studio accom with kitchen facilities.

USA Holidays

LAS VEGAS 4 NIGHTS
FROM **$275**
+ taxes & fees $119

INCLUDES roundtrip airfare and 4 nights 3-star accom on the Las Vegas Strip. **ADD** 18-hole round of golf from $72.

Anaheim 5-Night Family Holiday FROM **$475*** + taxes & fees $114

INCLUDES roundtrip airfare, transfers and 5 nights 3-star accom near the *Disneyland* Resort. **ADD** 5-day *Disneyland* Resort *Park Hopper* Bonus Ticket from $198.

Miami Golf & Spa FROM **$699** + taxes & fees $119

INCLUDES roundtrip airfare and 3 nights 4-star accom at the Doral Golf Resort & Spa. Enquire about extensions.

New York 4-Star FROM **$699** + taxes & fees $171

INCLUDES roundtrip airfare and 3 nights 4-star accom in Manhattan adjacent to Grand Central Station.

Cruise Holidays

ANAHEIM CRUISE & STAY FAMILY SPECIAL
FROM **$589***
+taxes & fees $157

INCLUDES 5-night cruise from Vancouver to Los Angeles visiting Astoria and San Francisco, transfers, 3 nights 3-star accom just outside *Disneyland* and return airfare to Vancouver. Port charges included.

Asia Holiday

SINGAPORE & PHUKET
FROM **$1389**
+ taxes & fees $618

INCLUDES roundtrip airfare with Singapore Airlines, 7 nights 4-star accom in Phuket Thailand and 2 nights 4-star accom with breakfast in Singapore.

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